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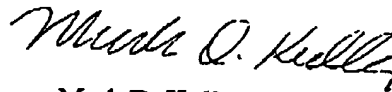
This amendment is presented in order to correct an obvious error in the claims.

The phrase "X is a softening comonomer selected from acrylates or methacrylates" has been corrected to include "s" in two places. Applicants made this amendment to make it clear that X can be any of the acrylates or methacrylates described in the specification. Without this change, someone might argue that some of the claims would be broader than the claims they depend from. For instance, claim 13 contains the corrected phrase and claim 14 depends from claim 13. Claim 11 includes a Markush group listing, *inter alia*, ethylene/(meth)acrylic acid/n-butyl acrylate, ethylene/(meth)acrylic acid/ethyl acrylate, and ethylene/(meth)acrylic acid/methyl acrylate copolymers. The comonomer corresponding to X is those ionomers is n-butyl acrylate, ethyl acrylate and methyl acrylate.

For the above reasons, applicants submit that the amendments correct an obvious error and respectfully request entry thereof.

Should any matters remain unresolved, please feel free to contact the undersigned at the below-listed direct dial telephone number.

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